

John Henry Eaton to Andrew Jackson, March 13, 1832, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

JOHN H. EATON TO JACKSON.

Nashville, March 13, 1832.

Dear Sir, We have had 10 days of fine weather and the farmers are all at their ploughs. To day it is quite cold, and the snow is falling.

Saturday we had a respectable meeting. The Resolutions you will see in the papers. Here and elsewhere in the State, V. B. has become very strong. Men are warmly for him, who heretofore scarcely knew him. Your friends are his. The opponents would now be glad for you to bring him again before the Senate upon a renomination; but I sincerely hope this will not be done. Let him stand where his foes have placed him. He will triumph over them all in the end. The enemy has done for him, more than could his friends have done. To renominate him, even could he pass would be to injure him.

This evening we have a great wedding on hand, Jno. Lytle of Cincinnati to Mrs Boyd, daugh[t]er of C. Biddle. Could you not give this young man, some appointme[n]t. He and all his, are your warm friends; and he is qualified and worthy. Col. Pyatt is in ill health and may not live, So says rumor; could you make him Pay master it would be good appointment. I know he would be pleased for I have conversed with him on the subject. Delicacy and proper feeling will prevent him from saying any thing about it, unless Col Pyatt dies; and then such is the grasping after office, that it may be too late. Therefore do I take the liberty to name it to you now; and to recommend one, who has always been true and steady to you, for the situation should it be rendered vacant.

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I am a delegate to Baltimore;¹ and if I can go, I will

¹ To the Democratic nominating convention of 1832.

Yours truly

My wife joins in kind regards to you; she is in bad health, and has been so, since her arrival in this State.